

**Archie**  
**ACTION!**  
ARCHIECOMICS.COM

# SONIC™

GENESIS  
OF A HERO  
# 2  
— OF FOUR —

## THE HEDGEHOG



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG | 289



Welcome to Sonic's comic book adventures—a world unique & beyond what you know from the SEGA games! Where Sonic and his friends work to save the world from the forces of evil!



CHARACTER  
= SELECT =

# SONIC™

## THE HEDGEHOG

### THE STORY SO FAR...



Twenty-five years ago, a super-fast hero took the video game market—and the world—by storm! As Sonic the Hedgehog turns the big "Two-Five," we blast to the past for some Classic Adventures!

# SONIC 2

THE HEDGEHOG™

After stopping Dr. Eggman's take-over of South Island, Sonic returned to Westside Island to fully drive the mad doctor from the Kingdom of Acorn! With the burgeoning Freedom Fighters at his side, Sonic liberated zone after zone, rolling back Dr. Eggman's conquest!



After a pitched battle in the factories of Metropolis Zone, a massive flying fortress took off into the sky! Sonic and Tails boarded the Blue Blur's plane, the Tornado, and began an epic sky chase...!



SONIC THE HEDGEHOG (ISSN:10705090), No. 289, January, 2017. Published monthly by Archie Comic Publications, Inc., 629 Fifth Avenue, Suite 100, Pelham, NY 10803-1242, Jon Goldwater, Publisher/Co-CEO, Nancy Silberkleit, Co-CEO, Mike Pellerito, President, Victor Gorelick, Co-President. Single copies \$3.99. Subscription rate: \$47.99 for 12 issues. All Canadian orders payable in U.S. funds. ©SEGA. All rights reserved. SEGA is registered in the US Patent and Trademark Office. SEGA, the SEGA logo, SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC UNIVERSE and SONIC BOOM™ are either registered trademarks or trademarks of SEGA Holdings Co., Ltd. or its affiliates. The product is manufactured under license from Sega of America, Inc., 250 East Olive Avenue, Ste 200, Burbank, CA 91502 www.sega.com. Any similarities between characters, names, persons, and/or institutions in this book and any living, dead, or fictional characters, names, persons, and/or institutions are not intended and if they exist, are purely coincidental. Periodicals postage paid at the post office at Mamaroneck, New York and at additional mailing offices. Title registered in U.S. patent office. POSTMASTER, send address changes to SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, c/o Archie Comic Publications, Inc., 629 Fifth Avenue, Suite 100, Pelham, NY 10803-1242. Printed in USA.

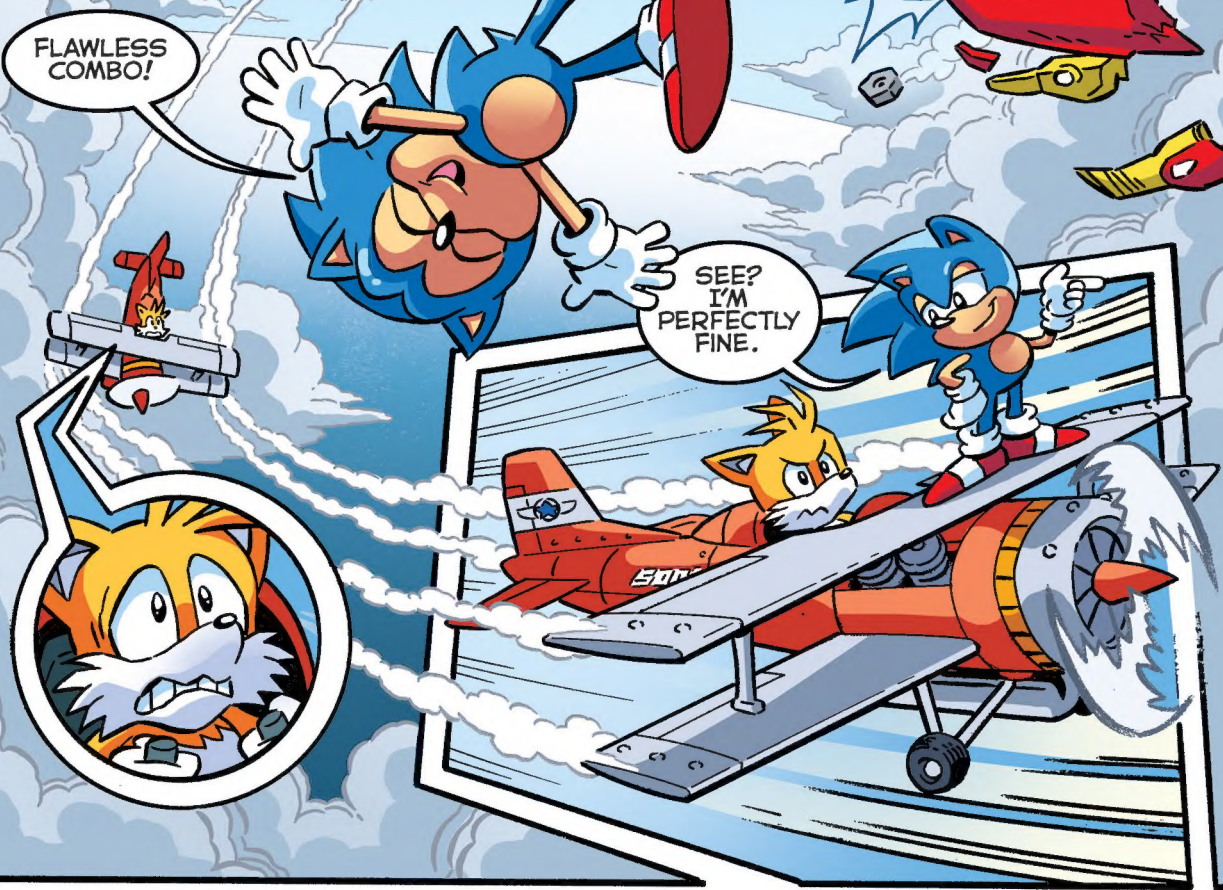
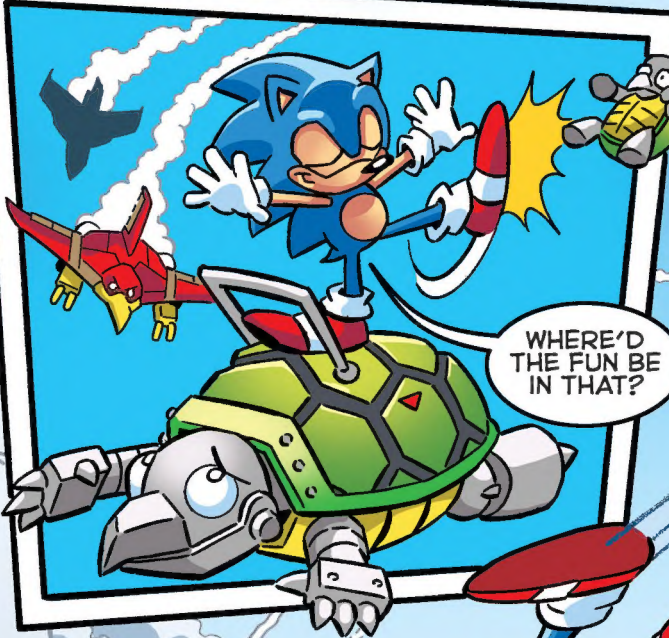
SKIES ABOVE  
WESTSIDE  
ISLAND...

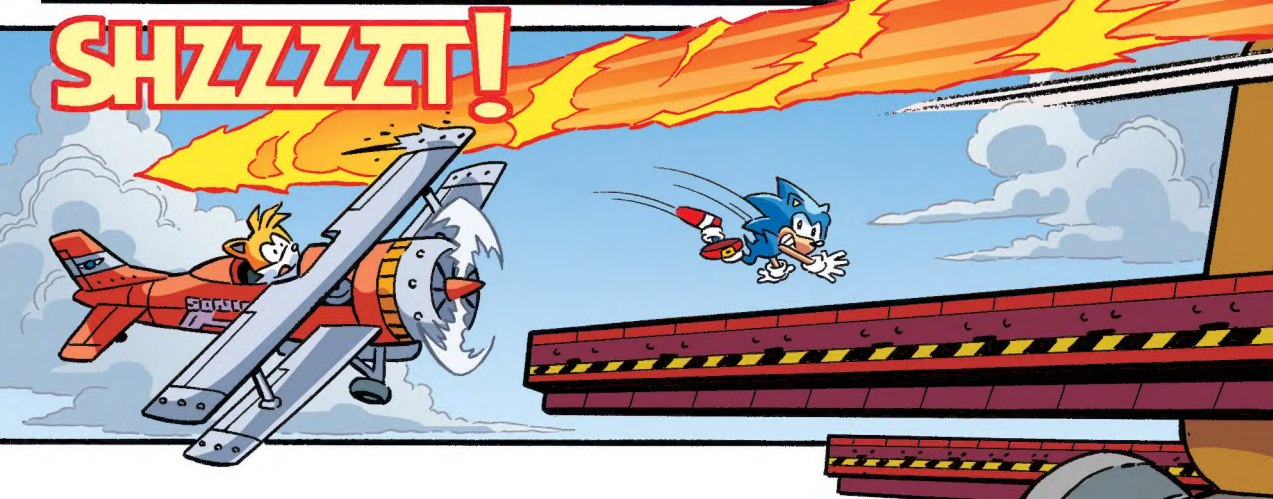
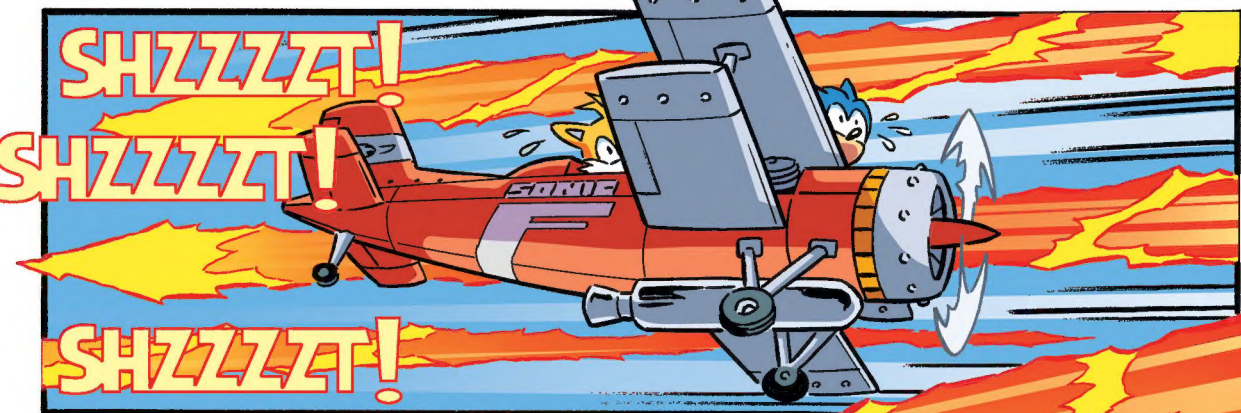
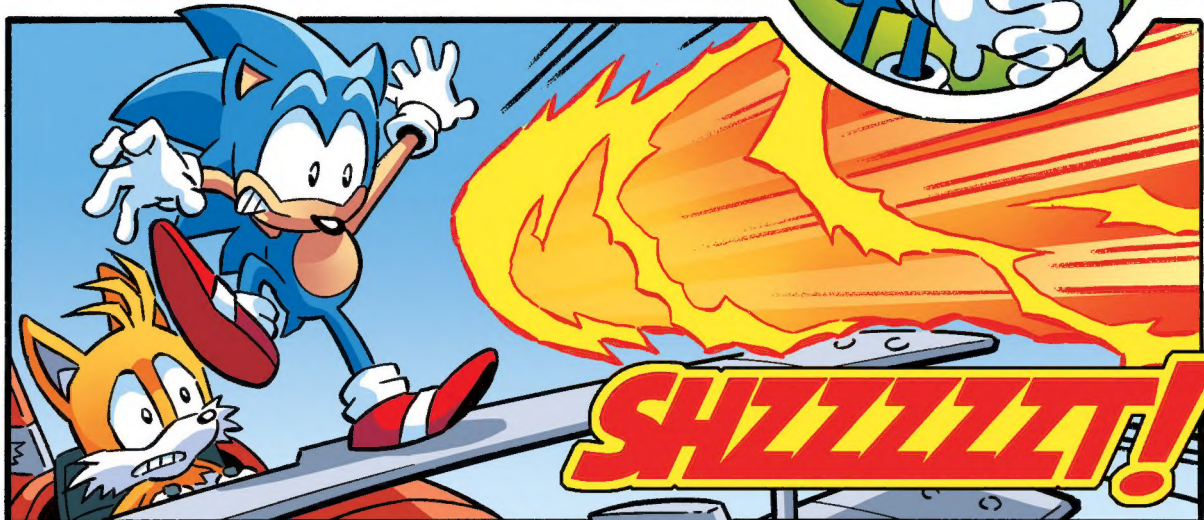
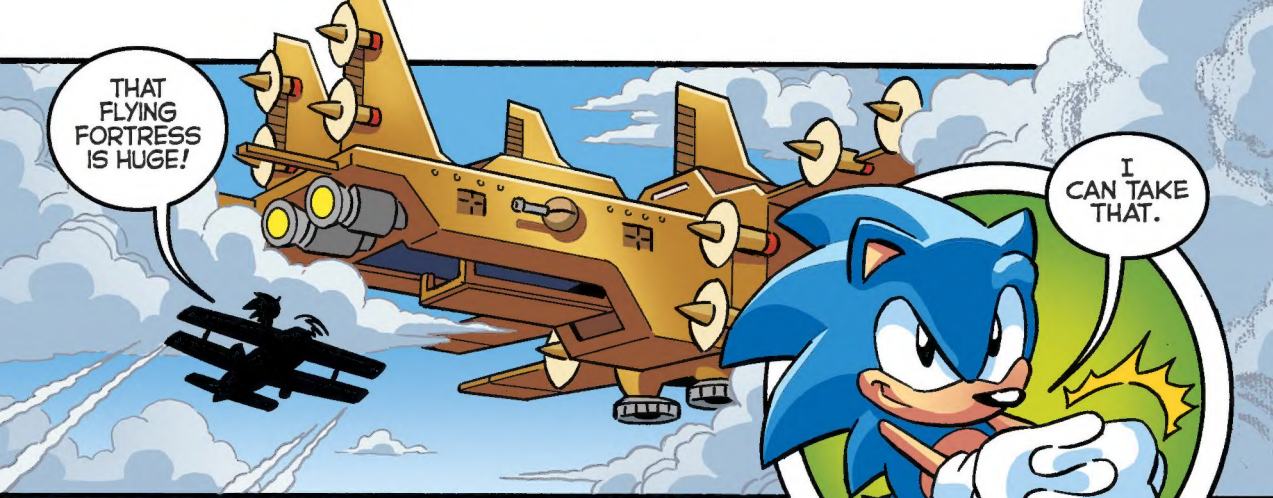
FASTER,  
TAILS! WE  
CAN'T LET  
HIM GET  
AWAY!

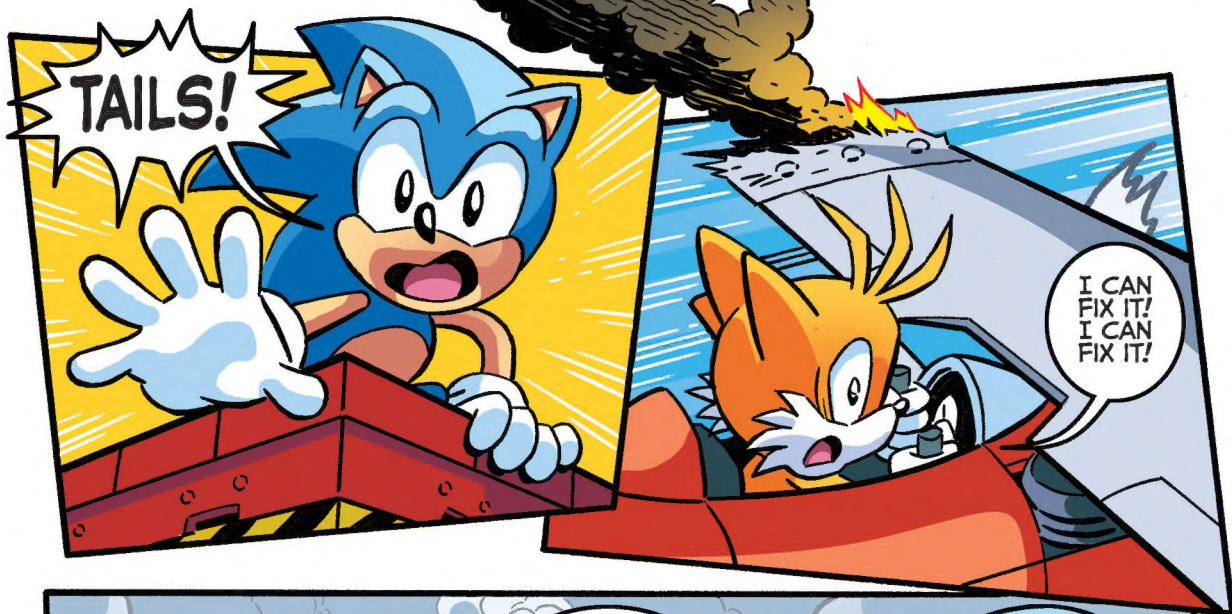
# GENESIS OF A HERO

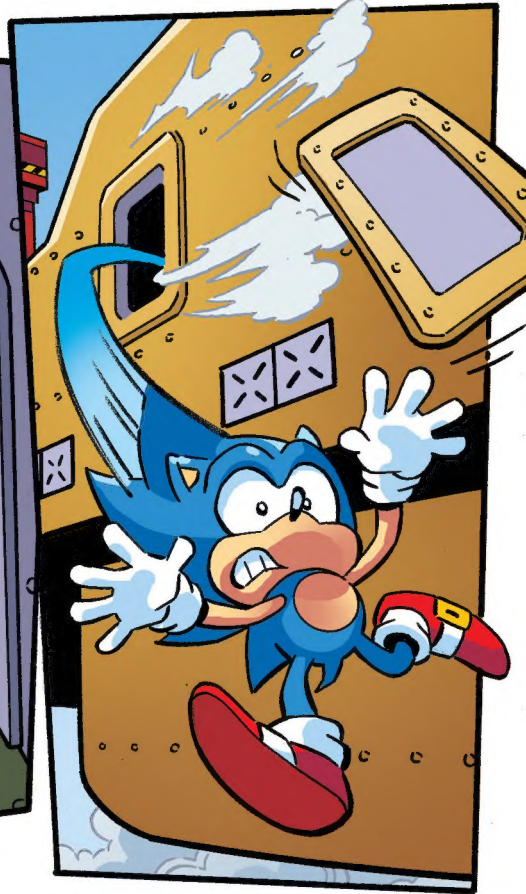
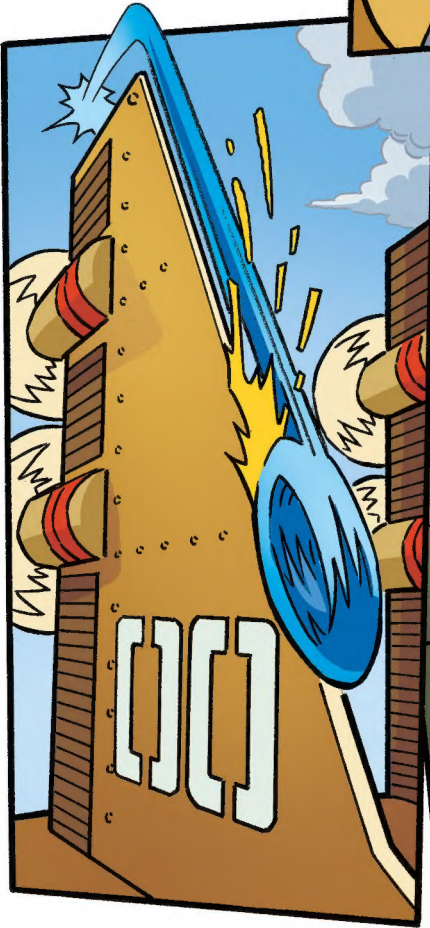
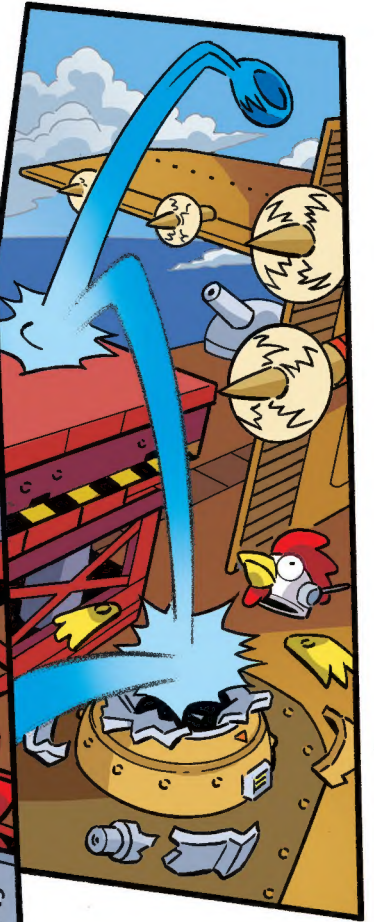
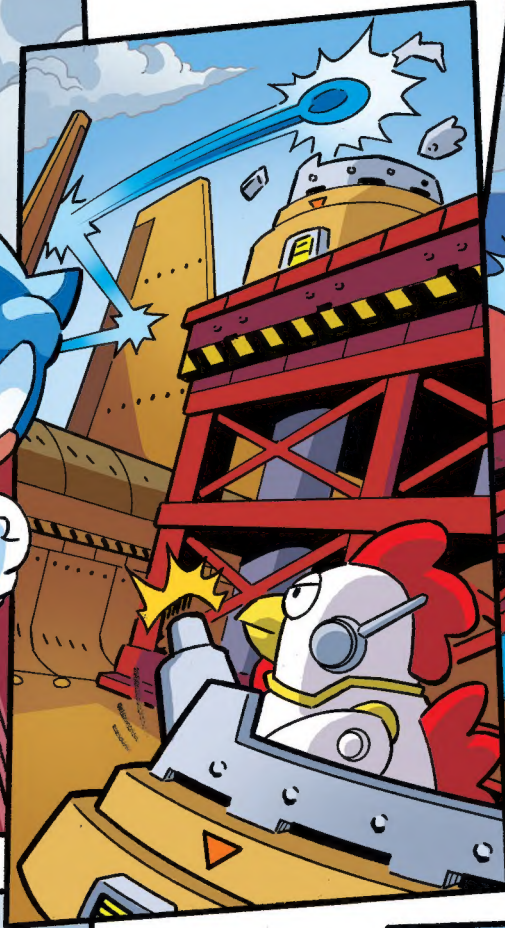
## Part Two: COMING BACK FOR MORE

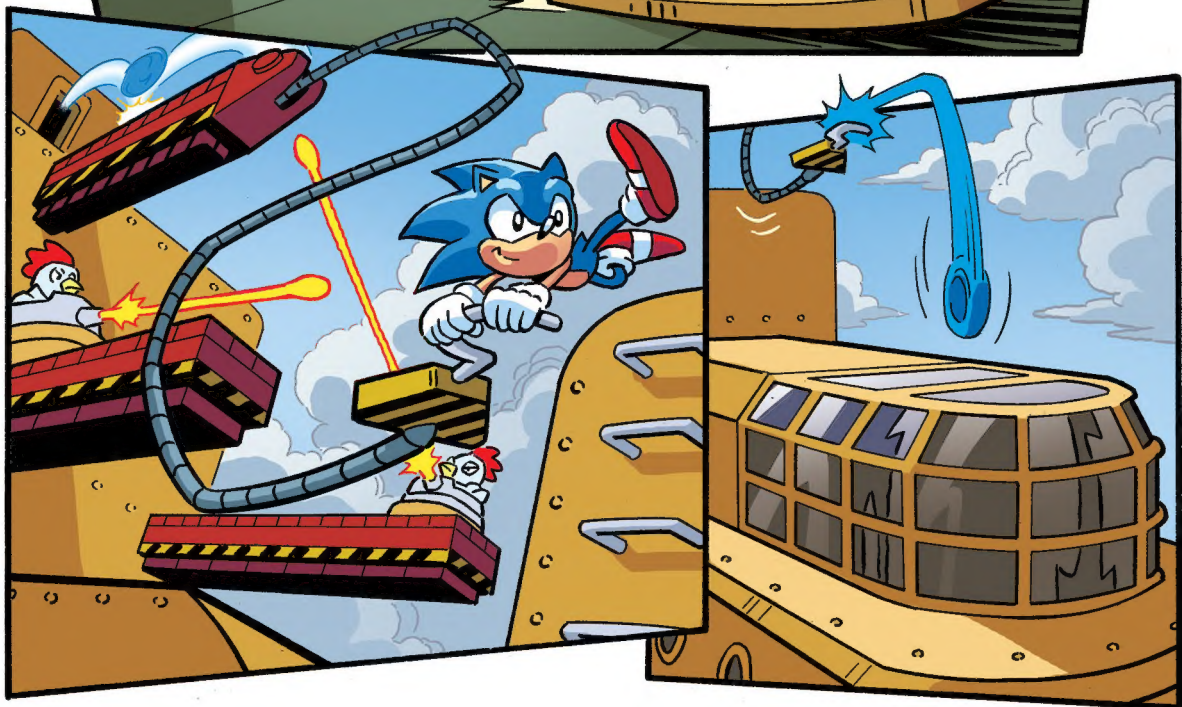
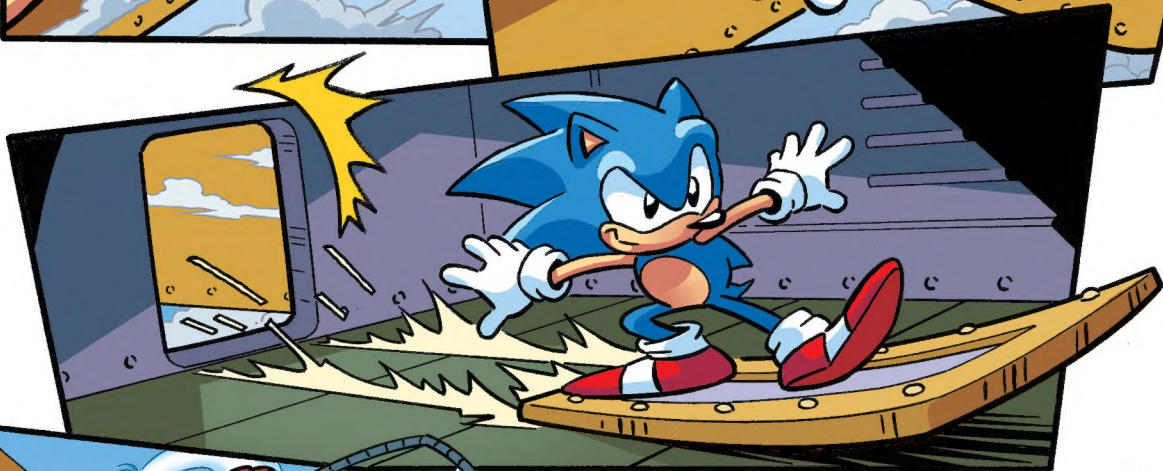
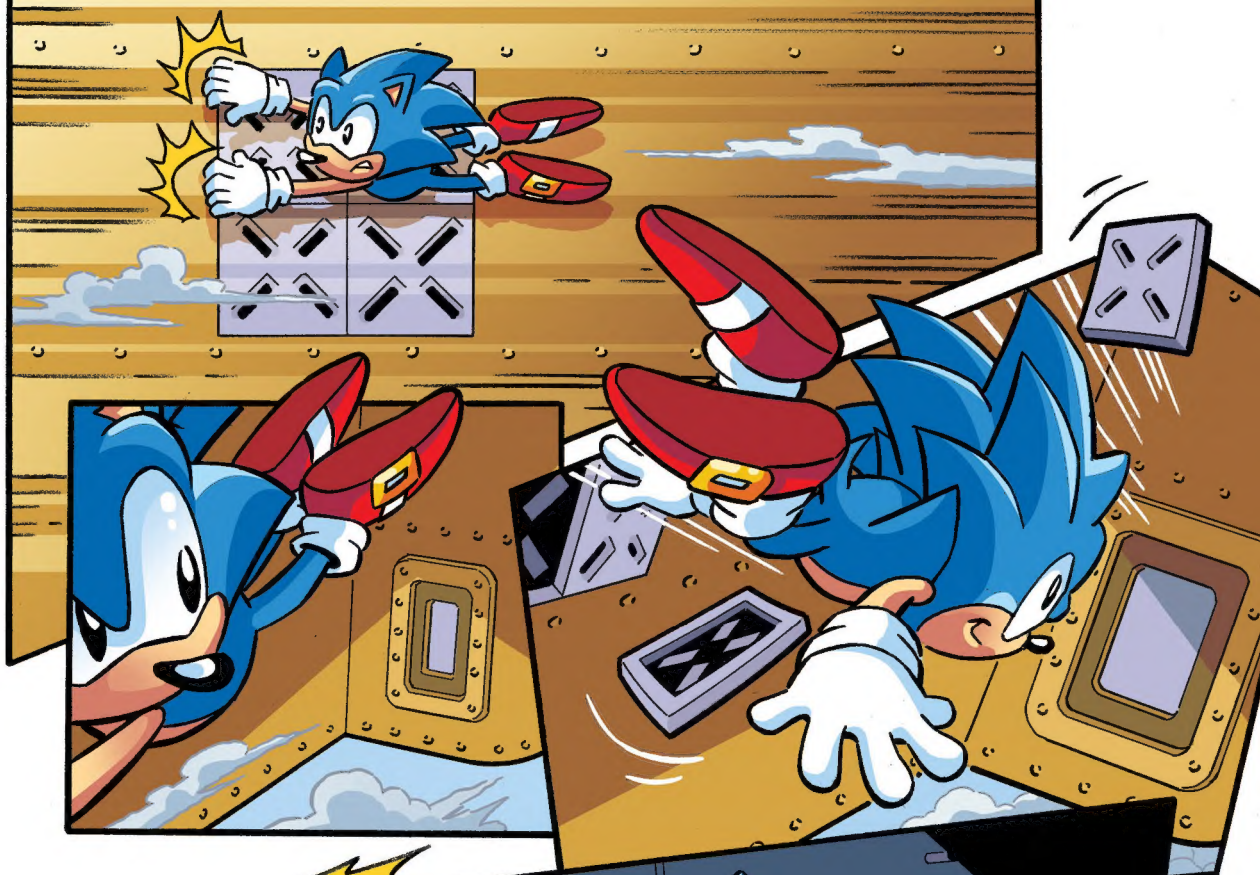
WRITER: IAN FLYNN • PENCILS: TRACY YARDLEY • INKS: TERRY AUSTIN • COLORS:  
GABRIEL CASSATA • LETTERS: JOHN WORKMAN • COVER BY PATRICK SPAZIANTE  
HIGH FLYING VARIANT BY JAMAL PEPPERS, JIM AMASH, AND MATT HERMS  
EDITOR: VINCENT LOVALLO • EDITOR-IN-CHIEF: VICTOR GORELICK  
PRESIDENT: MIKE PELLERITO • PUBLISHER: JON GOLDWATER  
SPECIAL THANKS TO: SANDRA JO AND MAI KIYOTAKI AT SEGA LICENSING



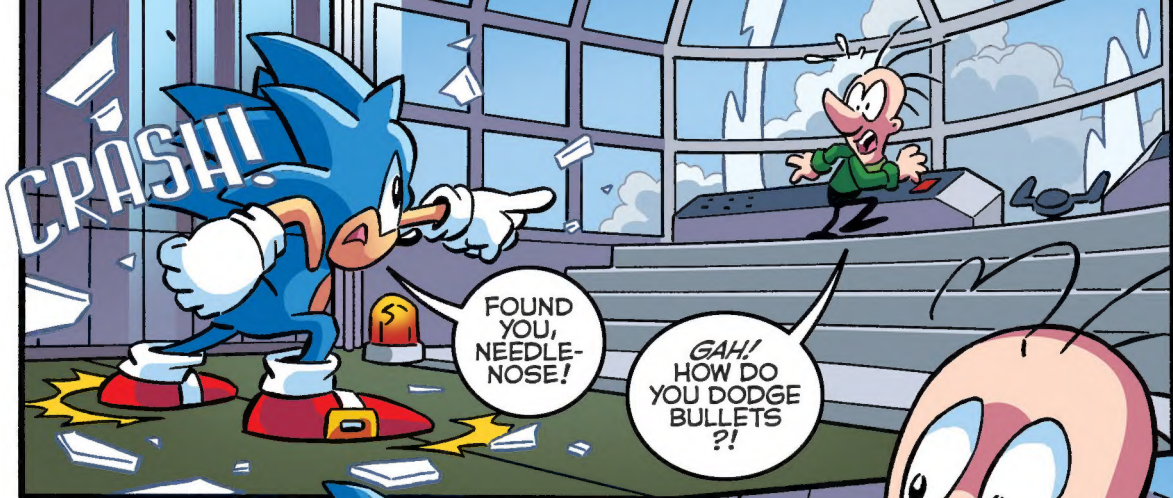












CRASH!

FOUND YOU, NEEDLE-NOSE!

GAH! HOW DO YOU DODGE BULLETS ?!

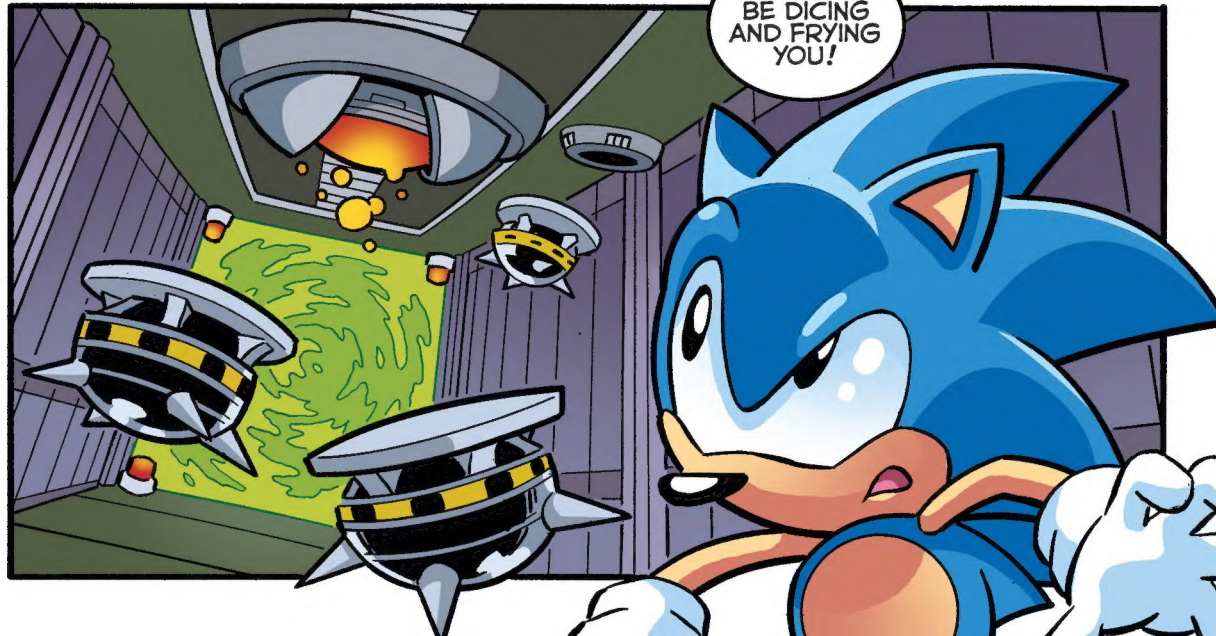


YOU AND THE FAT MAN HAVE A LOT TO ANSWER FOR!

YOU PULLED THIS SAME LAME TRICK BACK ON SOUTH ISLAND!



HEE-HEE-HEE! YES, BUT WHERE I'VE TRIED TO DROWN YOU...



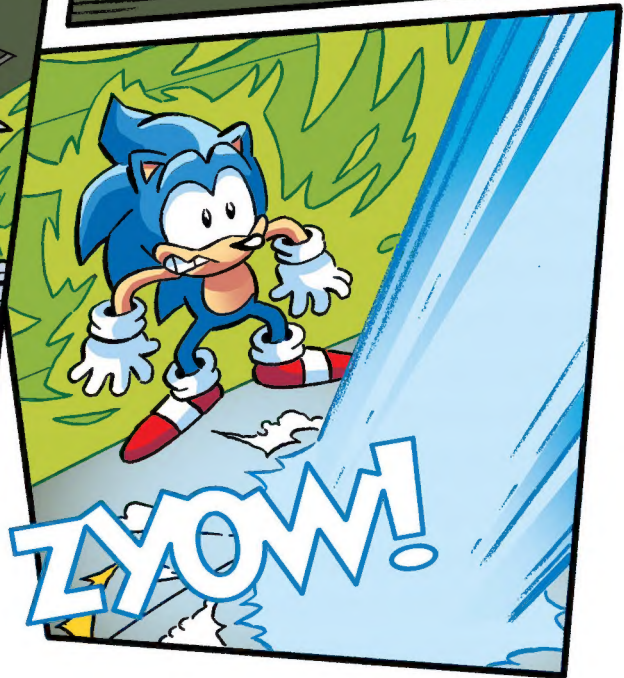
...I'LL BE DICING AND FRYING YOU!

HOLD THAT THOUGHT.

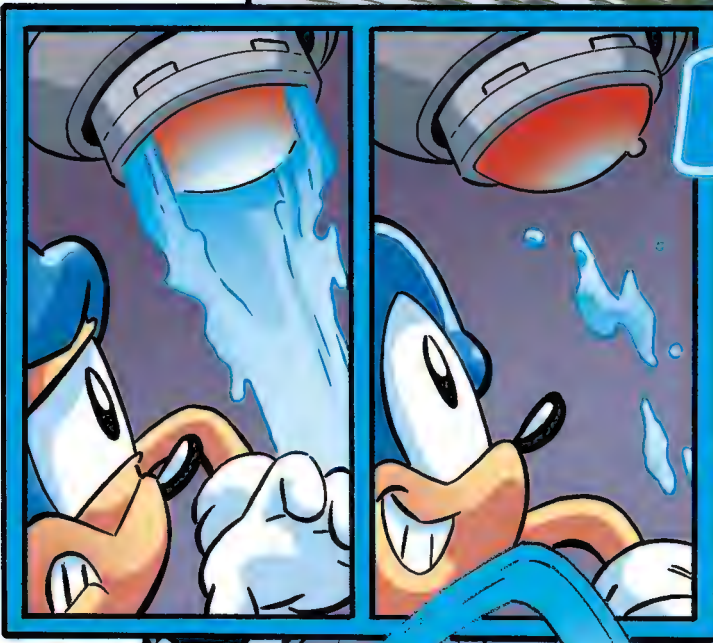


ZYOW!

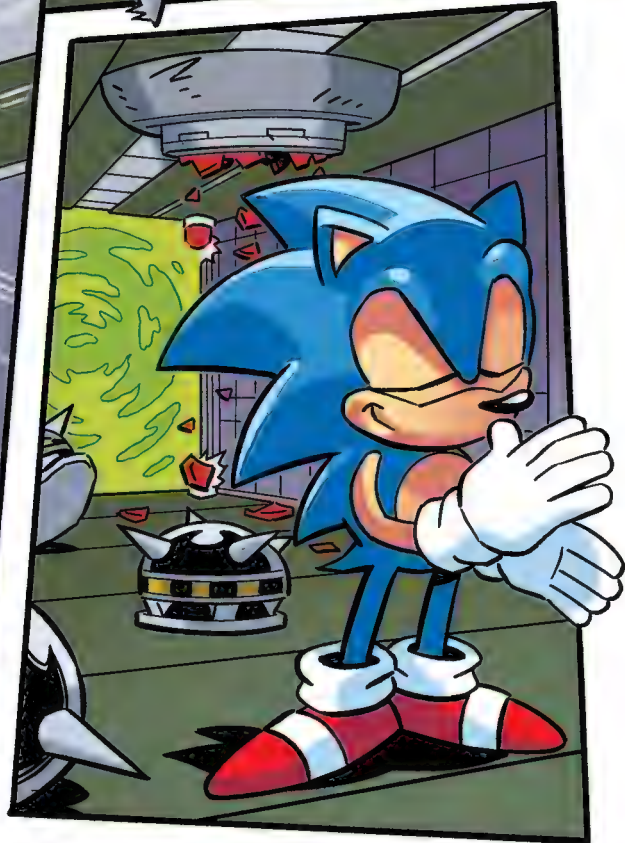
A smaller comic panel showing Sonic the Hedgehog looking up at a large waterfall. He has a surprised expression. The sound effect "ZYOW!" is written in large, white, stylized letters at the top left of the panel.

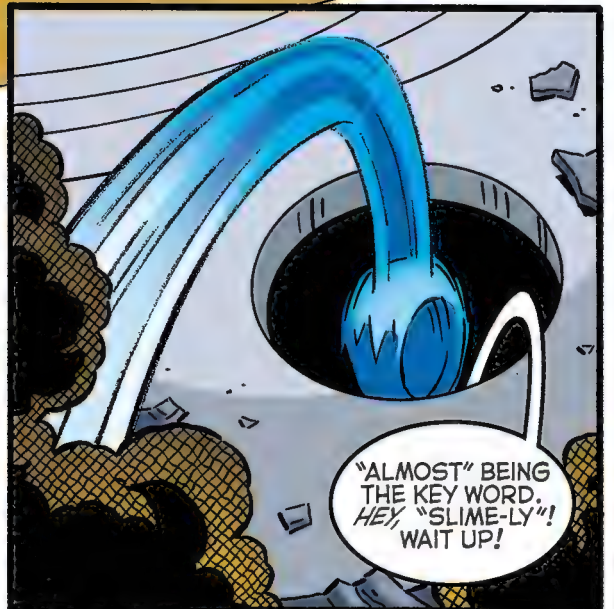
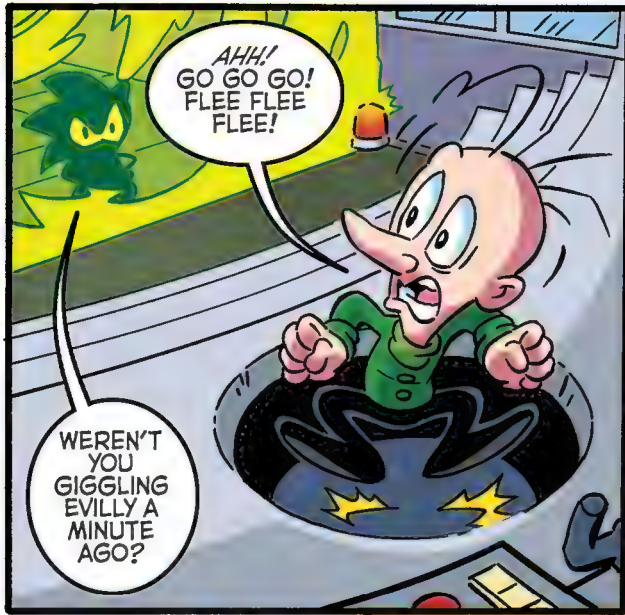


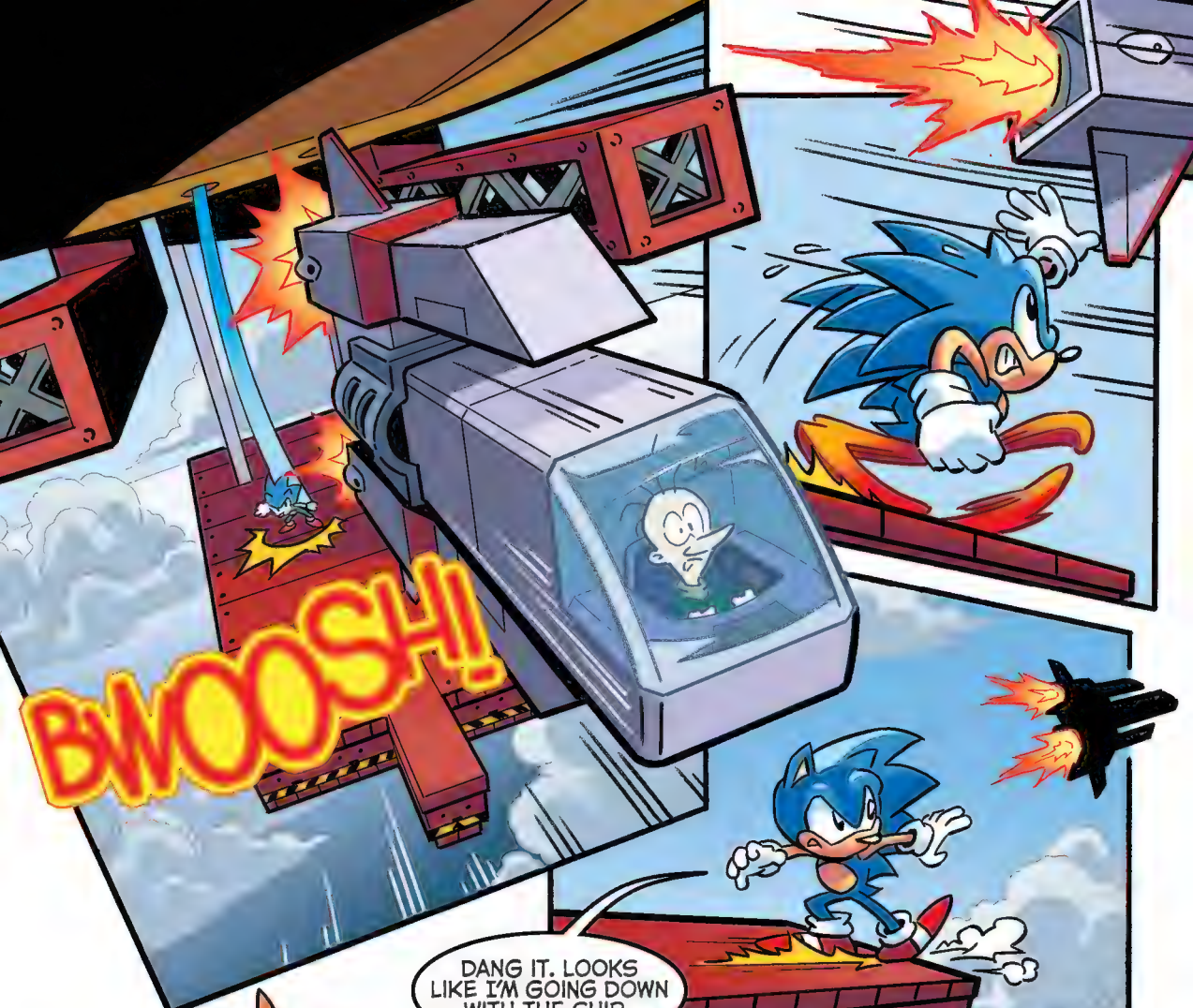
**CRASH!**



**BIAM!**







**BWOOSH!**

DANG IT. LOOKS LIKE I'M GOING DOWN WITH THE SHIP.

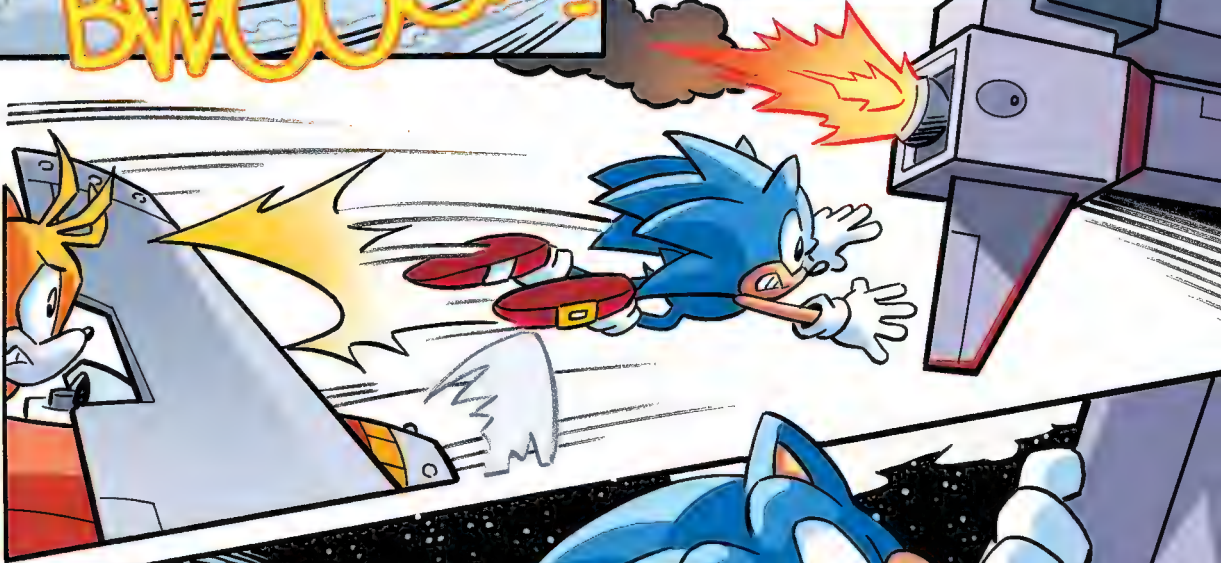
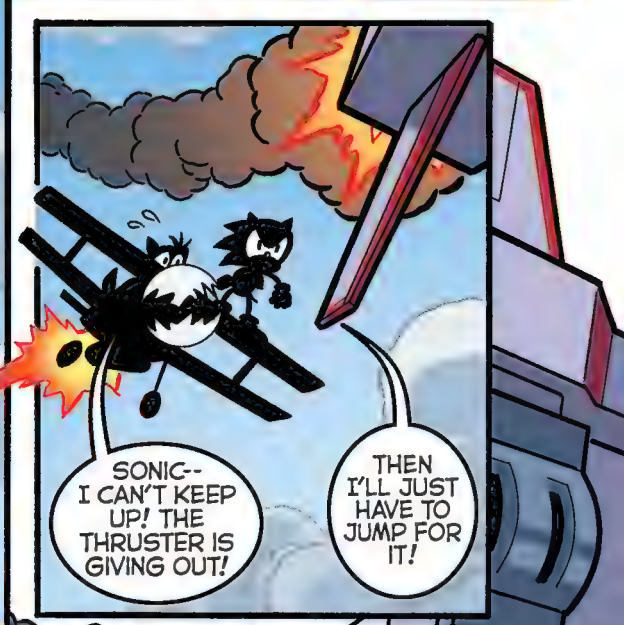


**TAILS!**

YOU'RE OKAY!



I TOLD YOU I COULD FIX IT!



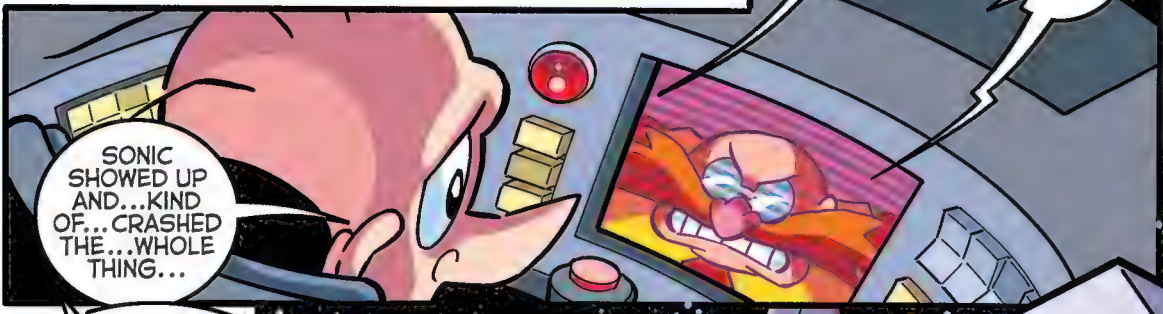


≡WHEW≡  
FINALLY...  
JULIAN TO  
IVO, DO YOU  
COPY?

DOCTOR  
SNIVELY...  
WHAT DID I  
TELL YOU  
TO DO?

ER...WELL...  
BRING THE  
WING FORTRESS  
AND ALL OF OUR  
SUPPLIES FROM  
METROPOLIS  
ZONE, BUT...

"BUT"?

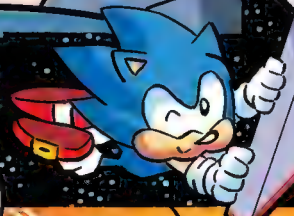
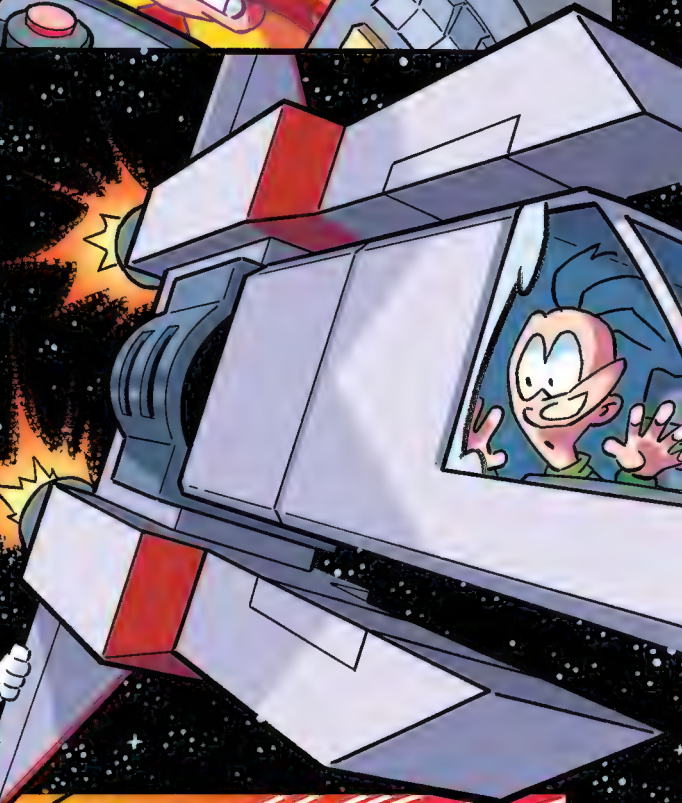


SONIC  
SHOWED UP  
AND...KIND  
OF...CRASHED  
THE...WHOLE  
THING...

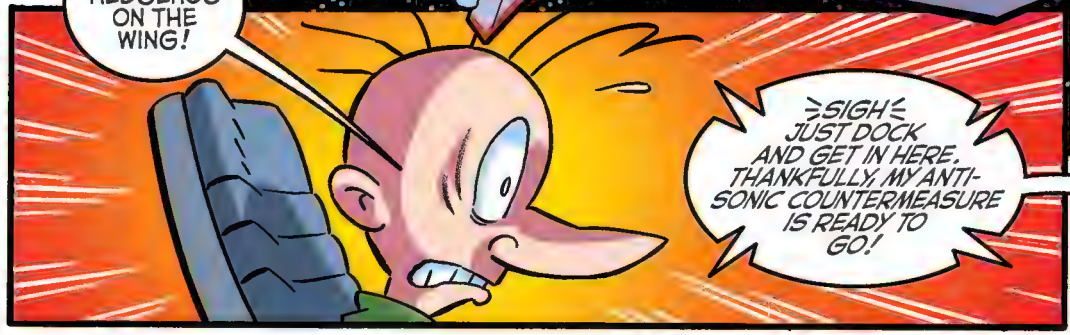


AND NOW  
YOU'RE BRINGING  
HIM RIGHT TO THE  
DEATH EGG!

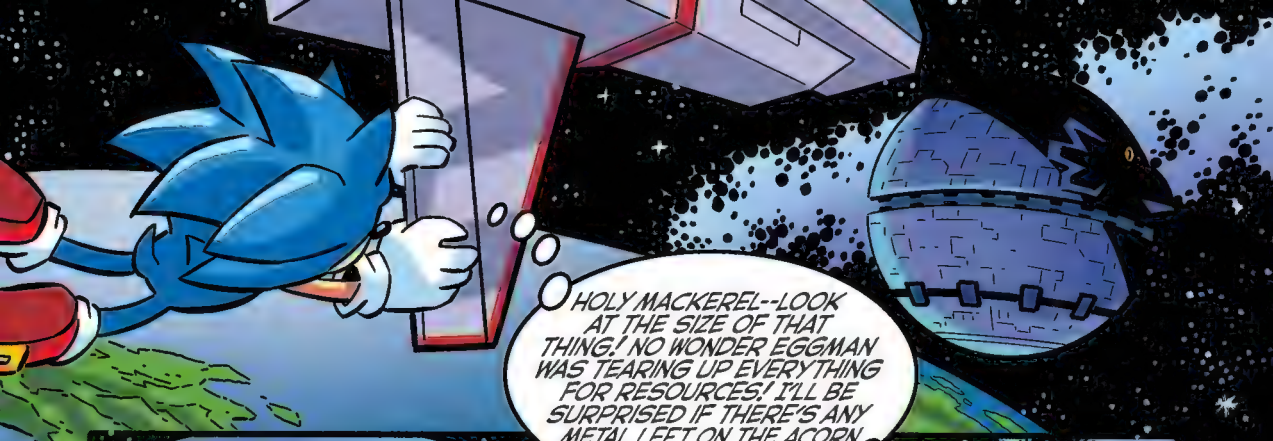
WHAT?  
NO, I LEFT  
HIM--



THERE'S A  
HEDGEHOG  
ON THE  
WING!

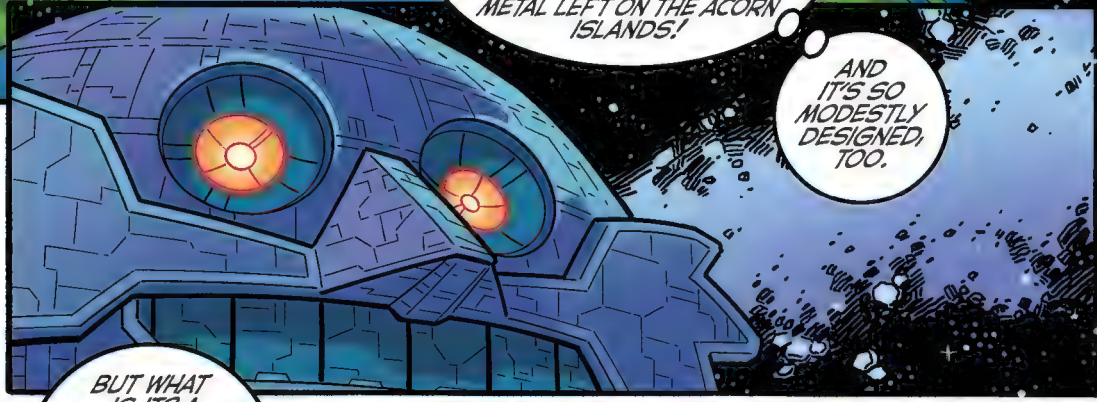


≡SIGH≡  
JUST DOCK  
AND GET IN HERE.  
THANKFULLY MY ANTI-  
SONIC COUNTERMEASURE  
IS READY TO  
GO!

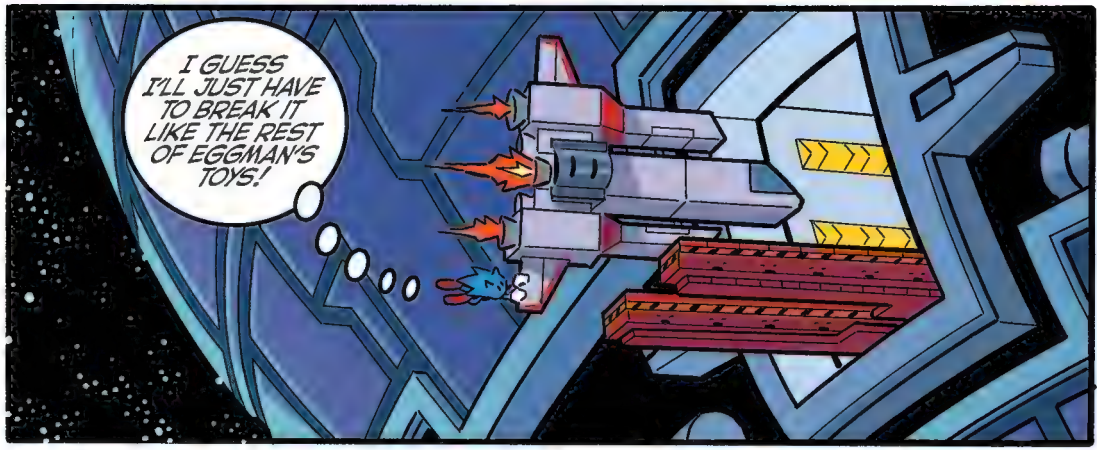
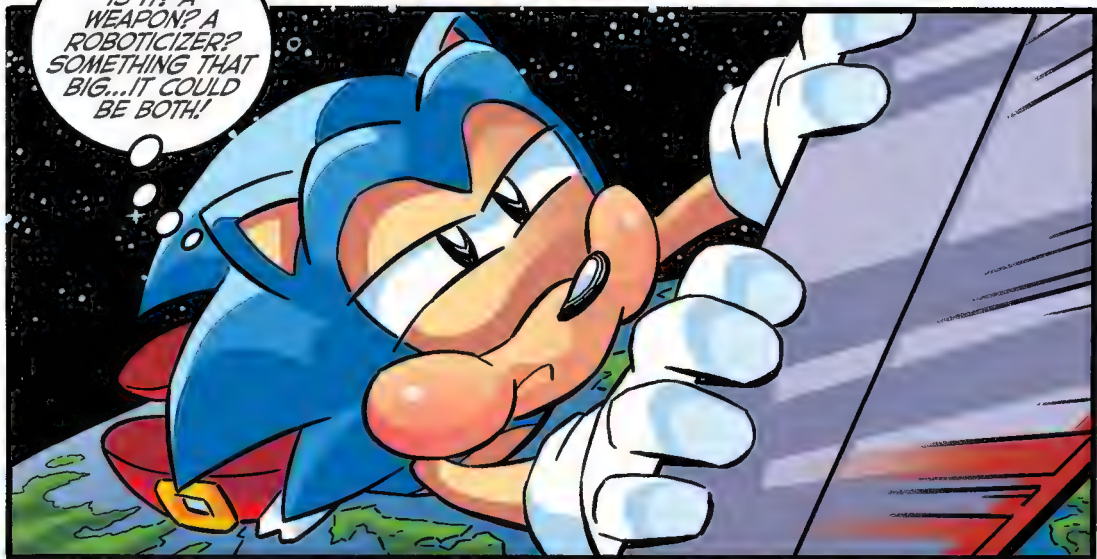


HOLY MACKEREL--LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT THING! NO WONDER EGGMAN WAS TEARING UP EVERYTHING FOR RESOURCES! I'LL BE SURPRISED IF THERE'S ANY METAL LEFT ON THE ACORN ISLANDS!

AND IT'S SO MODESTLY DESIGNED, TOO.

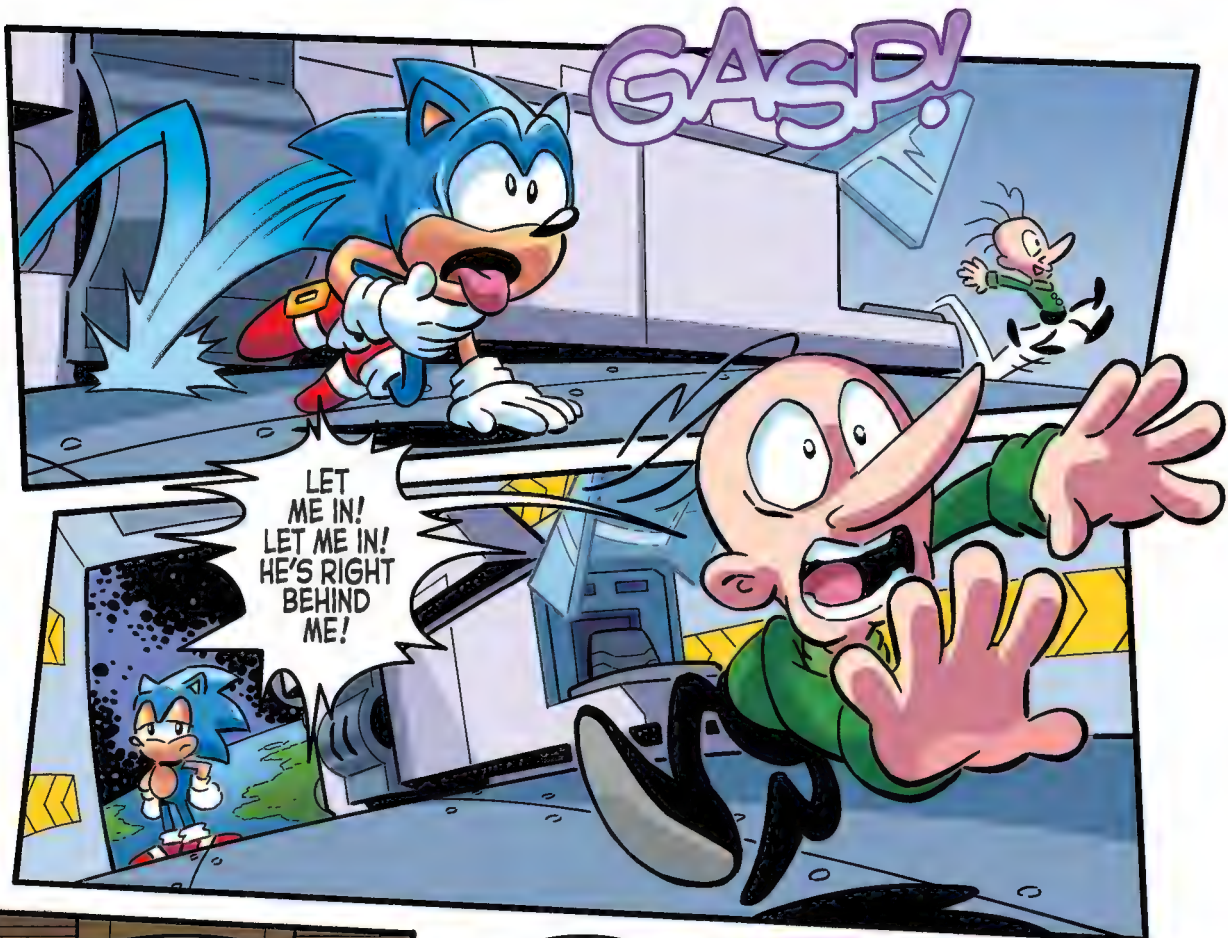


BUT WHAT IS IT? A WEAPON? A ROBOTICIZER? SOMETHING THAT BIG...IT COULD BE BOTH!



I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO BREAK IT LIKE THE REST OF EGGMAN'S TOYS!





LET ME IN!  
LET ME IN!  
HE'S RIGHT  
BEHIND  
ME!

GASP!

TAILS IS FINE, AND  
IT LOOKS LIKE I'M HERE  
FOR A BIT. I'M IN NO  
HURRY, MAN.

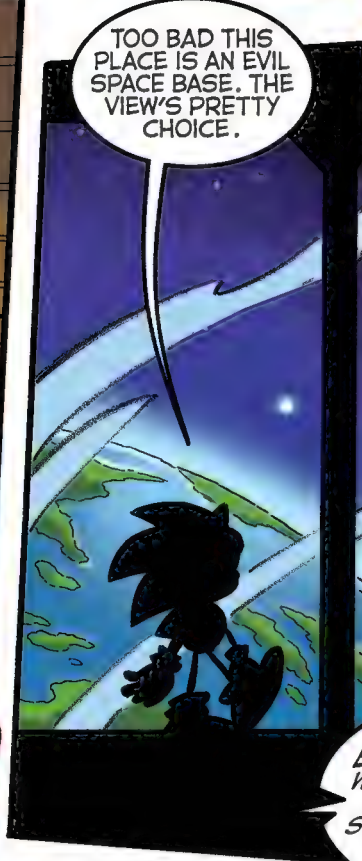
STILL GONNA KICK  
YOUR BUTT FOR TRYING  
TO KILL ME ALL THOSE  
TIMES. BUT-Y'KNOW--  
AT MY OWN PACE.

TOO BAD THIS  
PLACE IS AN EVIL  
SPACE BASE. THE  
VIEW'S PRETTY  
CHOICE.

THUD!

BWA HA HA HA!  
WELCOME TO MY  
DEATH EGG,  
SONIC-AND YOUR  
DOOM!

EH...IT'S  
CATCHIER THAN  
"SCRAP BRAIN,"  
I'LL GIVE YOU  
THAT MUCH.

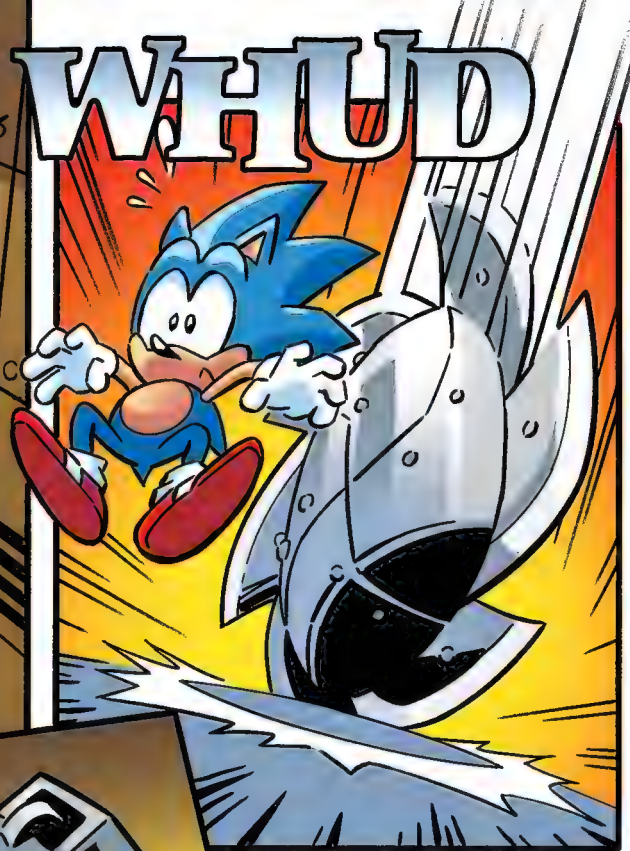




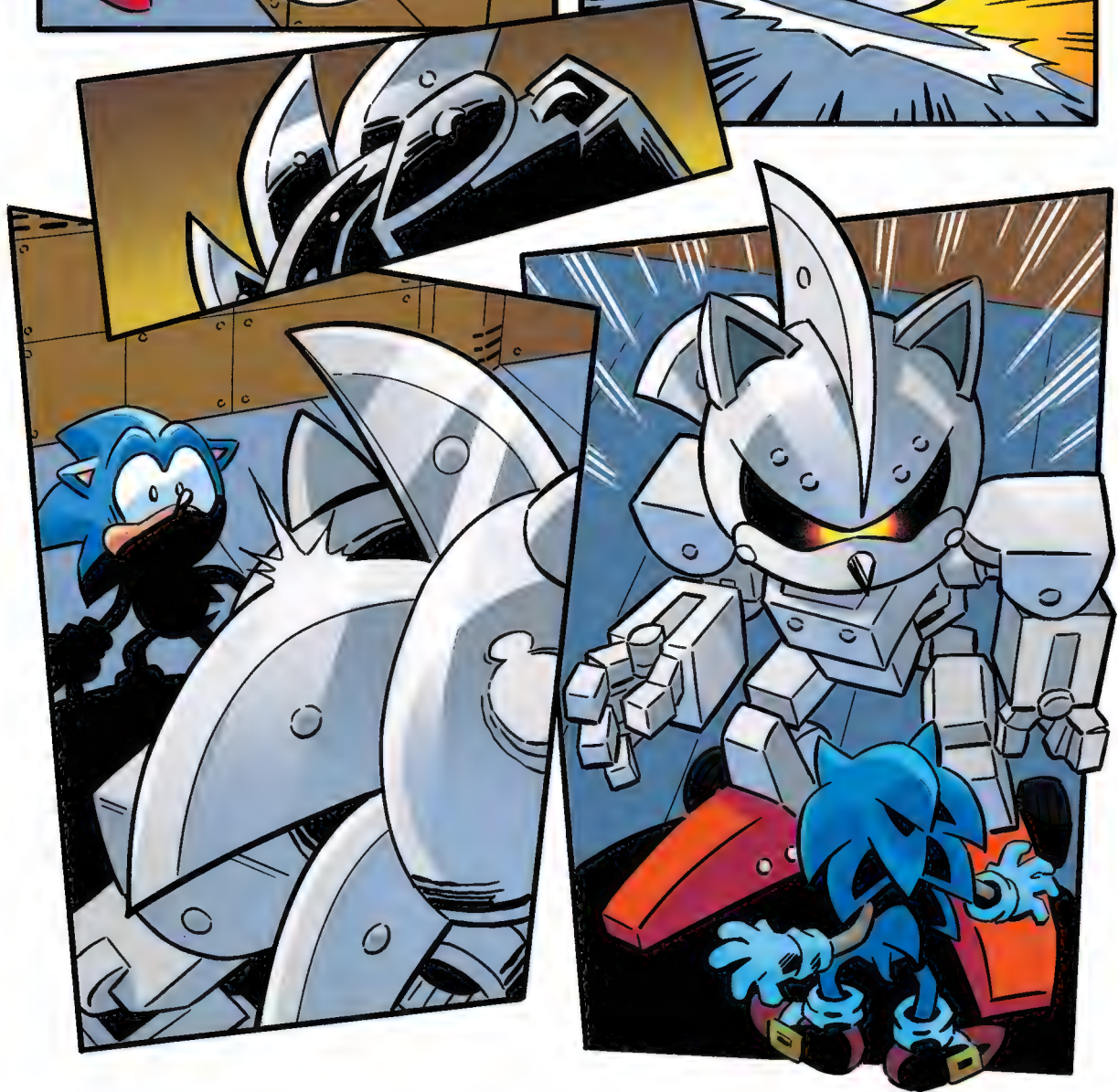
SO I'M GUESSING YOU WANTED THE CHAOS EMERALDS TO POWER THIS THING, HUH? WHAT'S YOUR A/C BILL, MAN?

JOKE WHILE YOU STILL CAN, RODENT! I'VE PROPERLY PREPARED FOR YOU THIS TIME!

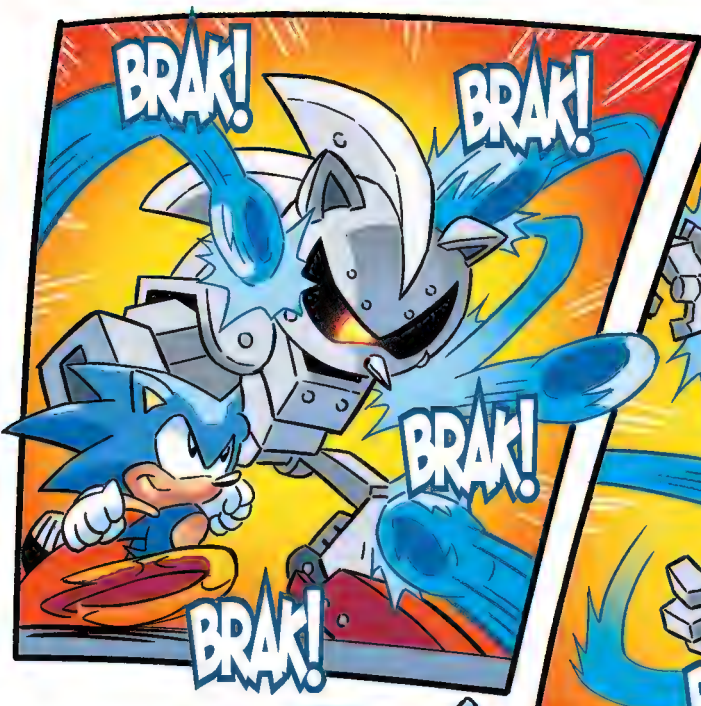
YUH-HUH. I'VE HEARD THAT ONE BEFORE.

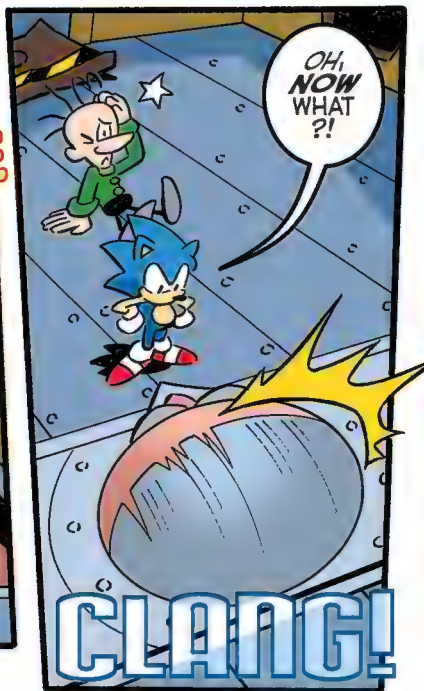
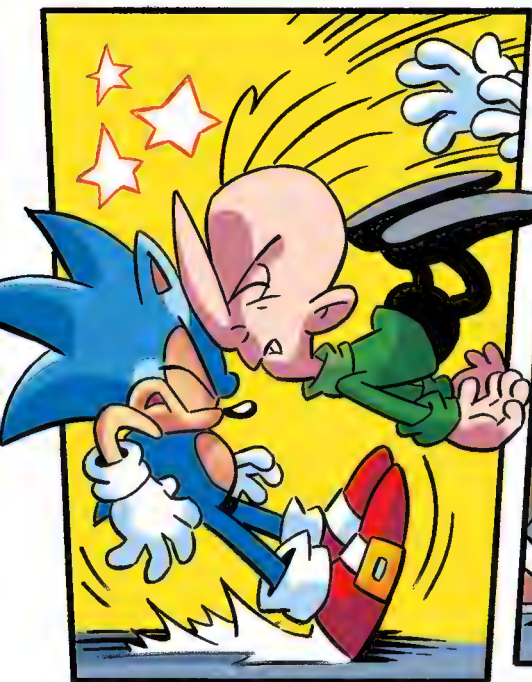
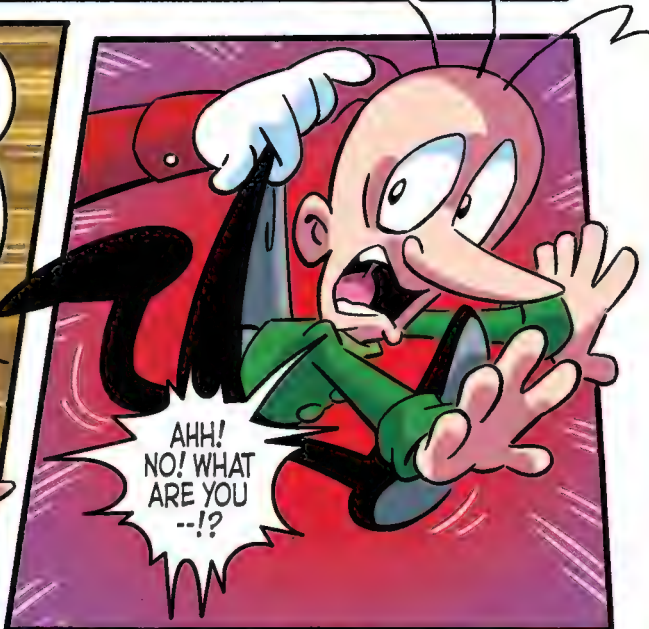


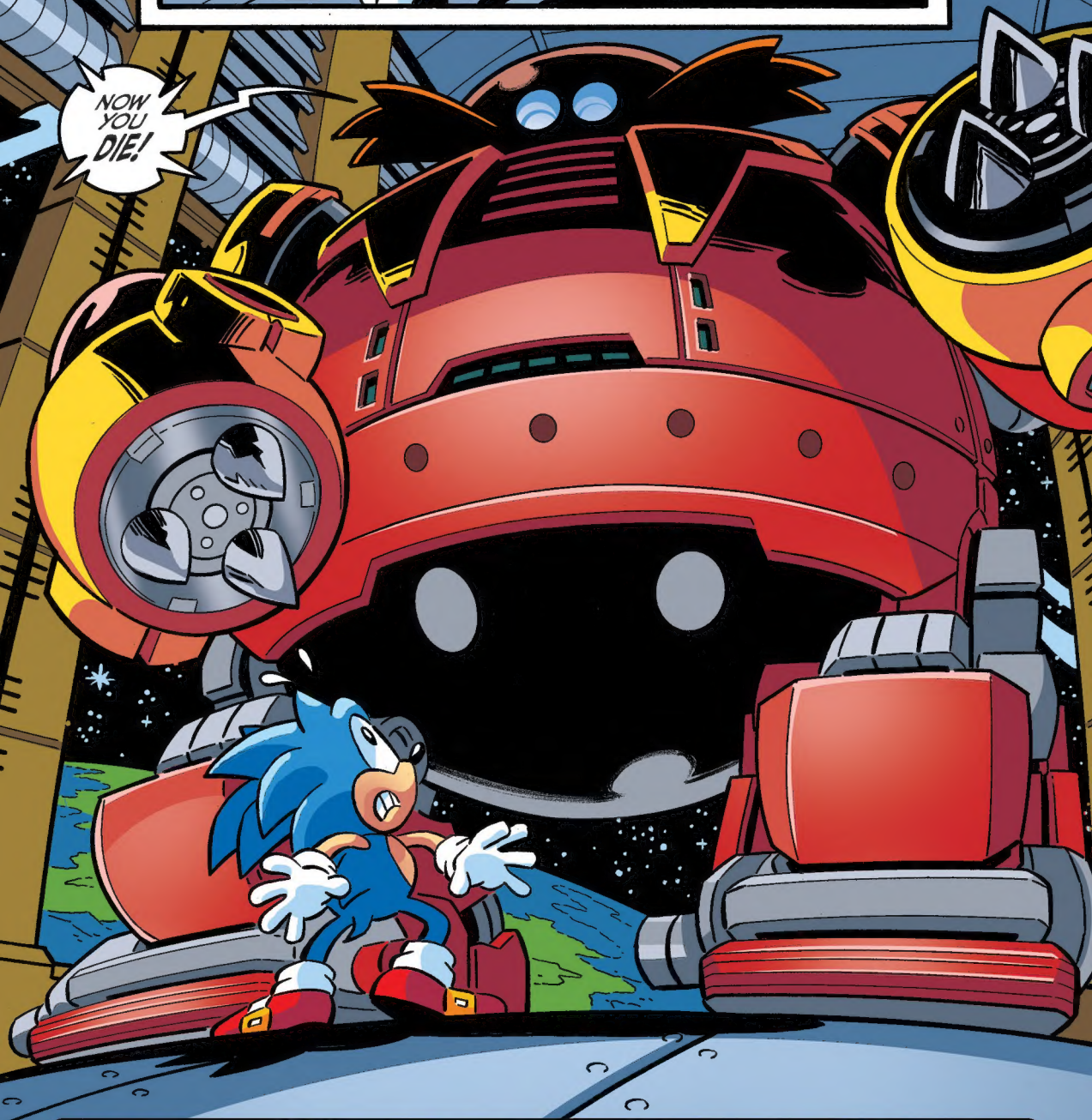
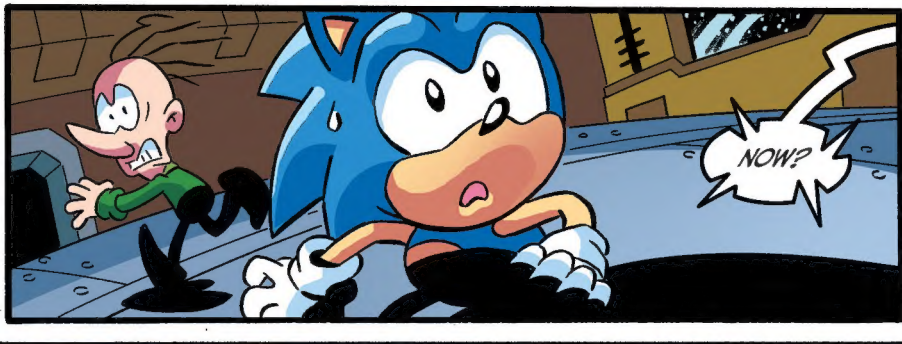
WHUD







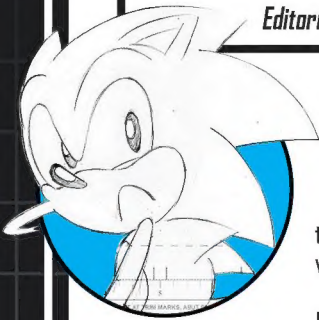




**HOW DOES THIS CLASH OF TITANS PLAY OUT? PLAY IT FOR YOURSELF IN *SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2* ON YOUR GAMING PLATFORM OF CHOICE! NEXT TIME: THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES WITH A TRIP TO *LITTLE PLANET!* UNTIL THEN, DON'T MISS OUT ON ALL THE *FUN* IN *SONIC UNIVERSE*, *SONIC SUPER DIGEST* AND *THE GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY!***

# Letter from the EDITOR

Editorial commentary that skips over Metropolis Zone 'cause I ain't dealing with Slicers!

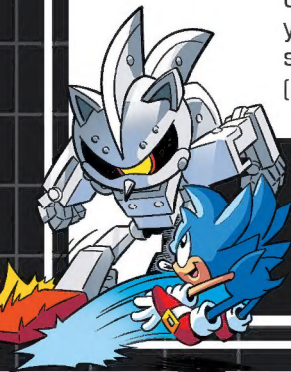


## HAPPY 2SDAY!

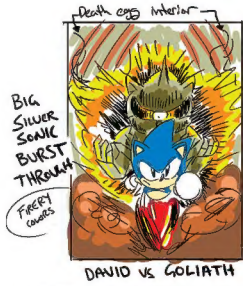
What's good, readers of Sonic? We hope you've been digging our retro journey through Sonic's earliest battles with Dr. Eggman!

Here at Archie, we strive for quality. Ian, Tracy and the whole Sonic comics crew have been working really hard to stay true to the classic Genesis games right down to the littlest details seen in the levels. Plug in your good 'ol Sonic 2 cartridge and see for yourself! Wait... you don't know what a cartridge is?!?

(I guess that console that's supposed to be switching things up will learn you well!!)



Silver Sonic may be large and menacing, but Sonic outclasses it in the speed department!



The penultimate battle of Sonic 2 was reimagined for this issue's main cover! Sketch by yours truly and final art by the amazing Patrick Spaziante!

Anywhoo, Sonic CD is next! Which means more evil Sonic robot doubles! YAY! Till then, I'll be spinning in my chair. Weeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee!

*Vin*  
2016

- Vincent "Vin" Lovallo  
Editor



# SONIC™

---

## THE HEDGEHOG

# SONIC GRAMS

# FAN ART



**Paul O.** sent to  
Sonic@ArchieComics.com

**Carlos R.** sent to  
Sonic@ArchieComics.com



**Aaron F.** sent to  
Sonic@ArchieComics.com



**Folujinmi**  
from Minnesota

DRAW/WRITE TO US @: SONIC GRAMS C/O ARCHIE COMIC PUBLICATIONS, INC.  
629 FIFTH AVENUE, SUITE 100 - PELHAM, NY 10803-1242  
E-MAIL: SONIC@ARCHIECOMICS.COM - OR TWEET AT US USING #SONICGRAMS!



## OFF PANEL

## - THE ADVENTURES OF - OFFICER SONIC

PT. 2

**Semantics  
Antics**



SCRIPT: ERIC ESQUIVEL

PENCILS: RYAN JAMPOLE

INKS: PATRICK WOODRUFF

COLORS: ELAINA LINGER



NEXT ISSUE: SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 290



**GENESIS  
OF A HERO**

**PART THREE**